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Do you feel rejected and unwanted?

In the time you've been homeless, have you felt rejected and unwanted by other people because you're homeless? Maybe someone gave you a dirty look or swore at you or called you names. Perhaps they said other unkind things to you, like "Get a job, you &!@$%#!" or to get away from them, not considering that you're a human being with feelings, too. If so, I can relate and sympathize with how that must have made you feel. I've never been homeless myself but I've been rejected and mistreated by others in the past, too, but for other reasons. It hurts, I know. I think rejection is something most of us have experienced at some point in our lives, if not all of us.

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Did you know that God's Son, Jesus Christ, also experienced rejection from others while He was a human being here on the surface of the Earth? Yes, it's true! God Himself knew and felt what it's like. He, too, felt what it's like to have something unkind said or done to you and to be unwanted. As one example, as Jesus was hanging on the Cross, taking upon Himself the sins of mankind (so that we today can be saved through Him) and no doubt in great physical pain caused by the nails that were driven into His hands and feet, in part, the Bible says that "...people passing by shouted abuse, shaking their heads in mockery. "Look at you now!" they yelled at him. "You said you were going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days. Well then, if you are the Son of God, save yourself and come down from the cross!" (Matthew 27:39-40 NLT)

Because of this and other examples mentioned in the Bible, Jesus knows first hand the kind of pain you've experienced because of mistreatment and rejection. And He knows what you've personally experienced because He sees and knows everything about each one of us. And I can tell you from my own personal experience, God not only wants to heal you from past hurts but He also wants to have a relationship with you and give you a quality of life that nothing else (or anyone else) in this world can give, hands down! Moreover, He wants you to be in Heaven (later the New Jerusalem) with Him for all eternity! He loves you so much that He sent His Son Jesus to die for us all on the Cross, so that we can be forgiven of our sins and get to spend eternity with Him as one of His own children, as opposed to spending eternity in Hell (later the Lake of Fire,) separated from Him. Trust me, Hell holds no picnics or parties! It is a place where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth, in part (Matthew 13:42, as one example.) It's a place you DON'T want to go to! If you're wondering how you can be saved, simply ask Jesus to come into your life to be your Lord and Savior. There is no specific prayer you have to pray, you can say what comes to your mind. "If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9 NLT)

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